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SUBJ: CIVAIR: PAN AMERICAN SCHEDULE PROBLEMS

REF: A-242 DATED NOVEMBER 30, 1973 AND PANAMA 6654

1. DEPT SEES NO ROLE FOR EMBASSY IN DISPUTE BETWEEN PAN AMERICAN AND GOP RE FILING OF OCTOBER 28 SCHEDULE CHANGES. GIVEN THE FACT THAT THE GOP HAS NOT BY UNILATERAL ACTION RESTRICTED THE OPERATIONS OF THE CARRIER USG HAS NO BASIS FOR PROTESTING OR ALLEGING VIOLATION OF BILATERAL AGREEMENT.

2. FYI. DISPUTES OF THIS NATURE ARISE FREQUENTLY SINCE PAN AM IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMPANY POLICY ADHERES TO THE POSITION THAT IT MAY OPERATE WITHOUT RECEIVING SPECIFIC WRITTEN AUTHORIZATION. THIS POSITION IS BASED ON THE FACT THAT THE USG NORMALLY DOES NOT REQUIRE THAT A FOREIGN CARRIER OBTAIN SPECIFIC APPROVAL OF SCHEDULE CHANGES, AS WELL AS PROVISIONS OF BILATERAL THAT PROHIBIT

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UNILATERAL RESTRICTIONS. WHEN RESTRICTIONS ARE IMPOSED

USG OF COURSE IS PREPARED TO INTERVENE. AT THE SAME TIME
WE COUNSEL PAN AMERICAN TO OBEY ALL LOCAL LAWS AND
REGULATIONS NOT IN CONFLICT WITH BILATERAL. END FYI.

3. WITH RESPECT TO JAMAICA SERVICE SCHEDULED TO BEGIN
DECEMBER 15, ASSUMING PAN AM FILED ITS SCHEDULE IN TIMELY
MANNER, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE IF EMBASSY SO DESIRES, TO
URGE DAC TO TAKE PROMPT ACTION ON APPLICATION TO FACILITATE
CARRIERS OPERATION ON PROPOSED DATE EXPLAINING THAT DENIAL
OF APPLICATION OR FAILURE TO ACT WHICH IMPLIES DISAPPROVAL
COULD BE IN VIOLATION OF BILATERAL AGREEMENT OF 1949 AS
AMENDED IN JUNE 1967. PORTER

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